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SUBJ: THAI ZINC CONTRACT SIGNING DELAYED

REF: BANGKOK 13214

1. THE LONG AWAITED SIGNING OF THE ZINC REFINERY CONTRACT, SCHEDULED FOR THE MORNING OF JUNE 27, CAME UNSTUCK OVER THE WEEKEND. IN A SURPRISE MOVE RTG OFFICIALS PRESENTED A REVISED SIDE LETTER TO THE CONTRACT WHICH CONTAINED CONDITIONS CONCERNING THE EXPORT OF 39,000 TONS OF ZINC ORE PRIOR TO SMELTER CONSTRUCTION TO WHICH THE COMAPNY HAD NOT AGREED DURING NEGOTIATIONS.

2. THAI ZINC MANAGING DIRECTOR WOODROW SPONAUGLE CONFIDES HE AND NEW JERSEY ZINC OFFICIALS NOW IN BANGKOK WILL AWAIT RETURN OF MIN INDUSTRY UNDER SECRETARY WIMON FROM SINGAPORE ON JUNE 29 TO DISCUSS MATTER FURTHER. SPONAUGLE INDICATES WIMON AND THAI CABINET HAD AGREED UNCONDITIONALLY TO AN EXPORT OF 39,000 TONS OF ZINC ORE AND SPONAUGLE EXPECTS WIMON TO CONFIRM THIS UNDERSTANDING. SPONAUGLE RECOGNIZES WIMON MAY BE IN AN EMBAARRASSING POSITION

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BECAUSE OF THE PUBLICITY SURROUNDING THE BREAKDOWN IN THE CONTRACT SIGNING TODAY. HE HOPES THE PROBLEM CAN BE RESOLVED WITHOUT AGAIN GOING TO THE THAI CABINET WHICH COULD POSSIBLY ENTAIL PROTRACTED DELAYS.
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